(d) It is estimated that at present there is a gap of nearly five to six lakh tonnes between the total requirement and net availability of edible oils from all domestic sources.

(e) Government has authorised the import of edible oils by the State Trading Corporation for PDS and by the NDDB for open market sale at concessional duty of 20 per cent. The import of selected edible oils has also been allowed under OGL at reduced duty of 30 per cent.

Appointment of Managing Trustee of Super Bazar

3055. SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1695 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th December, 1994 and state:

(a) whether Government have appointed the Managing Trustee of Super Bazar; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) and (b) No, Sir. There is no such provision in the Delhi Cooperative Societies Act and Rules under which Super Bazar is registered and also under the bye-laws of the Store.

Letters written by MPs to Ministry

3056. SHRI MOHAMMAD AFZAL *alias* MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of letters written by the Members of Parliament to the Ministry during the period from 1st April, 1994 to 31st March, 1995;

(b) what is the number of letters acknowledged out of them;

(c) what is the number of letters in respect of which final replies were sent; and

(d) what is the break-up of final letters issued by the Ministry containing positive and negative replies respectively?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) 201

(b) 185

(c) 131

(d) Negative — 24
Positive — 42

Other letters are of a such nature that these cannot be clearly categorised as positive or negative.

Assistance to Rajasthan and Orissa from consumer welfare fund

3057. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have so far provided any assistance to States of Rajasthan and Orissa from Consumer Welfare Fund during 1994 and till date in 1995;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A sum of Rs. 7,27,200/- has been sanctioned to four consumer societies/organisations in Rajasthan. Also, a sum of Rs. 4